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British Medical Association.

CURRENT NOTES.

Conference with Oversea Representatives regarding Federation.

A CONFERENCE was held at 429, Strand, on Tuesday, July 5th, 1921, at 10 a.m., of Representatives of the Overseas Branches and Representatives of the Home-Branches with regard to providing facilities for federation. The Conference adjourned at 1 o'clock to Gatti's Restaurant, Strand, when the Home Representatives entertained the Overseas Representatives to lunch. The President, who proposed the toast of the guests, said that it was a great occasion, as it was a meeting in miniature, as it were, of the British Empire in the form of faculty of medicine. The Conference had shown what a good thing it was that people in the old country should be made to see with others' eyes, and had proved the necessity of building not too solidly, but like the Japanese, so as to stand earthquakes. It was necessary to have an elastic constitution which would stand great expansion on occasion. Members of the Association at home were thankful to hear of the great influence of the Association in the Dominions: its membership in many of them was almost coterminous with the whole profession and he was convinced that it would become so here in time. There were present visitors from Australia, Tasmania, South Africa, New Zealand, Assam, and West Indies, all high in the counsels of the Association in their own districts. He mentioned Dr. Irving of New Zealand, and Professor Jasper Anderson of South Africa, and coupled the toast with the name of Dr. Todd of New South Wales.

Dr. Todd, in responding, said that in going round Australia before he began his journey to this country it had been strongly impressed on him that the Australian Branches did not want to be separated from the parent body. He acknowledged that there were difficulties for the Association in arranging to meet the needs of some of the oversea bodies, but he believed that they could and would be overcome. He thanked the Home members on behalf of the Oversea representatives.

The following is a list of those present at the luncheon:

Overseas Representatives.

Dr. A. Jasper Anderson (Cape of Good Hope, Western Province, Branch)
Dr. R Gordon Craig (Victorian Branch)
Dr. W. M. Crofton (Dublin Division)
Dr. H. Curwen (Zanzibar Branch)
Dr. J. Marshall-Day (Irish Medical Association)
Dr. T. P. Dunhill (Representative on Council of South Australian Branches)
Mr. C. H. Gick (Irish Medical Association)
Dr. J. Giusani (representative on Council of Munster Branch)
Mr. F. A. Hadley (Western Australian Branch)
Dr. W. Irving (New Zealand Branch)
Dr. W. F. Law (British Guiana Branch)
Dr. R. W. Leslie (Belfast Division)
Dr. E. Magennis (Irish Medical Association)
Dr. W. O'Sullivan (Vice-President Irish Medical Committee)
Dr. W. Rahilly (Munster Branch)
Dr. E. H. Strong (Matabeleland Division)
Dr. R. H. Todd (Australian Federal Committee)
Dr. A. Simpson Wells (Cape of Good Hope, Western Province, Branch)
Dr. E. Wells Witham (Assam Branch)

Home Representatives.

Right Hon. Sir T. Clifford Allbutt, K.C.B., M.D., F.R.S. (President)
Dr. T. W. H. Garstang (Chairman of Representative Meetings)
Dr. R. A. Bolam (Chairman of Council)
Dr. G. E. Haslip (Treasurer)
Dr. F. J. Baildon
Dr. H. S. Beadles
Dr. R. C. Buist
Mr. Russell Coombe
Dr. D. Ewart
Dr. E. R. Fothergill
Dr. J. S. Darling
Dr. T. D. Greenlees
Dr. R. Wallace Henry
Dr. I. W. Johnson
Dr. S. Morton Mackenzie
Sir Jenner Verrall, LL.D.
Dr. J. F. Walker
Dr. Alfred Cox (Medical Secretary)
Dr. G. C. Anderson (Deputy Medical Secretary)
Dr. A. D. Macpherson (Assistant Medical Secretary)
Mr. W. E. Hempson, Solicitor to the Association.

Honorary Degrees.

The University of Durham intends, during a congregation to be held on the afternoon of July 21st, to confer the following honorary degrees in connexion with the forthcoming visit of the British Medical Association to Newcastle:

D.C.L.—Sir William Macewen, C.B., Professor of Surgery, University of Glasgow; Sir Thomas Oliver, M.D., Professor of the Principles and Practice of Medicine in the University; and Sir Humphry Davy Rolleston, K.C.B., M.D.

D.Hy.—Mr. Thomas Eustace Hill, M.B., O.B.E., late Professor of Public Health in the University; and Dr. James Wilkie Smith, M.D.

D.Sc.—Sir Arthur Keith, M.D., F.R.S., Hunterian Professor of Anatomy, Royal College of Surgeons.

D.Litt.—Sir Dawson Williams, M.D., C.B.E., Editor of the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL.

M.A.—Mr. Alfred Cox, M.B.Dunelm., O.B.E., Medical Secretary of the British Medical Association.

The Secretaries' Conference at Newcastle.

The Conference of Honorary Secretaries of Divisions and Branches held last year at Cambridge, with Dr. E. A. Starling of Tunbridge Wells in the chair, was attended by more than eighty, and furnished an instructive interchange of views and experiences. The Organization Committee has decided that the programme of the Secretaries' Conference at Newcastle this month shall include a discussion on the difficulties met with by Honorary Secretaries; it will be opened by Dr. L. A. Parry of Brighton, representing

a Division mainly urban. It is hoped that a Secretary of a mainly rural Division will follow. There will also be an address on the work and expenses of Divisions and Branches by Dr. T. W. H. Garstang, Chairman of Representative Meetings. The Committee has left further arrangements for the Secretaries' Conference in the hands of the Chairman of the Organization Committee, the Propaganda Subcommittee, and the Medical Secretary. As already announced in the SUPPLEMENT, the Conference will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, July 20th, and the Secretaries' dinner will take place in the evening at 6.30 o'clock.

The Macdonald Presentation.

The Macdonald Presentation Fund has now been closed with the exception of any belated subscriptions which may arrive. The presentation to Dr. J. A. Macdonald will be made by the retiring President, Sir Clifford Allbutt, before the President's address, on Tuesday, July 19th. The following additional subscriptions have been received:

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Brought forward	959	0	6
Dr. Henry Whitehouse, Glasgow	1	1	6
Dr. John Hunter, Edinburgh	0	10	6
Per Dr. J. Mills of Ballinasloe:			
Dr. M. J. McDonough	1	0	0
Dr. D. Crowly	1	0	0
Dr. R. A. Welsh, Ackling-ton, Northumberland	1	1	0
Colonel L. J. Blandford, C.B.E., Bleabeck, Worcester	1	1	0
Dr. A. R. F. Exham, Market Drayton ...	0	10	6
Dr. T. S. Taylor, Hailsham, Sussex	1	0	0
Dr. John Sinclair, Braehead, Bo'ness	0	10	0
Dr. G. O. Pierce, Barking, Essex	1	1	0
Dr. H. Gibbons, Market Harboro'	0	10	6
Dr. G. F. P. Gibbons, Market Harboro' ...	0	10	6
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NATIONAL PROVIDENT SCHEME FOR HOSPITAL AND ADDITIONAL MEDICAL SERVICES.

A MEETING of the Willesden Division was held on June 21st, when the Chairman, Dr. C. T. F. SCOTT, introduced Mr. McAdam Eccles, who had attended to explain the draft suggested organization—prepared by the Metropolitan Counties Branch Council—for London of a national provident scheme for hospital and additional medical services (published in the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL SUPPLEMENT, April 30th, 1921).

Mr. MCADAM ECCLES, in explaining the scheme, said that it might be most helpful if he first set out what the scheme proposed to provide and what it did not provide. It provided for in- and out-patient hospital treatment, consultations at home of patient and at hospital, visiting, nursing, dental treatment, *x*-ray examination and treatment, massage, laboratory investigations, and a motor ambulance service. The scheme did not provide general practitioner treatment, tuberculosis treatment, V.D. treatment, or any other treatment provided by State or local authorities. All the facilities which the scheme proposed, with the exception, perhaps, of the consultations, were more or less already provided in some shape or form, but they had never been grouped together before under any one scheme.

The advantage of the scheme, so far as the patient was concerned, was that it avoided payment during illness, as provision therefor had been made by the prospective patient while in health. It provided free consultations, either at home or at the hospital, at a time separate from the ordinary consultation times of the hospital, and at which consultations the general practitioner concerned could be present if he so desired, or could send a note as to the patient's condition. Owing to the income limit there would be no investigation into the patient's economic condition by any almoner, such as was necessary in connexion with ordinary admissions to hospital, the only recommendations necessary being the membership card and the general practitioner's recommendation. It provided nursing, upon which point it might interest the meeting to know that experts upon this question were of opinion that Greater London needed 500 additional nurses. The scheme provided the means for paying adequate salaries to such 500 additional nurses. The existing ambulance services of London were under six different heads, and it was the desire of the scheme to co-ordinate and augment such existing services. The provision allowed for by the scheme would probably permit, if necessary, of one extra ambulance for each metropolitan borough—30 in all. Lastly, the advantage of the scheme to the patient was that it tended to foster the—unfortunately fast disappearing—trait of being satisfied that even if his subscriptions brought no individual benefit he was helping his needy neighbours.

The advantages of the scheme to the general practitioner were that all the facilities of the service would be through the general practitioner, under co-operation, of course, with the officers of the hospital; the opportunity for consultations at the home of the patient when the patient was too ill to leave his bed, and only then when the general practitioner desired a consultation. Objections had been raised at other meetings at which he had explained the scheme that there might probably be a very large number of patients who might desire a consultation at home which the general practitioner did not consider necessary, with the result that he lost the patient. He did not, however, think that there would be any real difficulty on this point. A second objection raised was that, so far as insured persons were concerned, while the consultant would receive a fee the practitioner would not, to which the answer was the scheme might provide for a consultation fee to the general practitioner payable out of the consultation pool. Further advantages to the general practitioner were that he would be able to retain a much more direct contact with his patients attending the hospital under the scheme than he was able to do at present. Under the scheme they would have the necessary administration facilities to secure the general practitioner having a fuller note with regard to his patient than now obtains even at the best administered hospital. The scheme also placed at the use of the general practitioner greater facilities as regards laboratory, etc., facilities.

As to the advantages of the scheme to the consultants, he did not think he need worry that meeting with these, beyond stating that as hospitals would, of course, receive something out of the scheme, it was suggested that 25 per cent. thereof should go to a hospital staff fund. From this might be allocated £30,000 for post-graduate work, and it was very interesting to note that the report (published that week) of the Government Committee upon post-graduate work suggested the creation of a fund of £28,000 for such work, an indication of the exactness with which the scheme had been drawn up.

The advantages to the nation were that the scheme was going to maintain the voluntary hospital system because it was a voluntary insurance; that it provided prompter treatment of cases needing in-patient hospital treatment, with corresponding saving of life and shortening of convalescence; and that it secured the maintenance of the supply of clinical material for medical and nursing education in the teaching schools.

Turning to the statistical aspect of the question, Mr. McAdam Eccles stated that the scheme had been drawn up with a view to embracing the whole of what was known as Greater London—that is, the Metropolitan Police area—in which area there was some 5 million people who should have in-patient hospital treatment if they so needed. At present the hospitals were carrying out the work for that population, and admitting that the scheme will not increase the population nor increase the sickness incidence among people requiring hospital treatment, it was necessary to endeavour to ascertain what accommodation was required. In England, for the last two years, the sickness incidence of people in hospitals was 2 per cent., upon which basis there should be hospital provision in Greater London for 100,000 people. The average stay of an in-patient in the London hospitals was 21.2 days, which meant that, strictly speaking, one hospital bed should accommodate 17 patients a year. If it were taken that each hospital bed would accommodate 10 persons per year, a very little calculation showed that 10,000 beds were required for the 100,000 in-patients in London. As the ordinary beds in London hospitals totalled 12,000 there should be a sufficient number of beds existing at the present moment, but the trouble was they were not used economically, and there was practically no co-ordination among the hospitals. If the whole of the 5 million people joined the scheme, and it was found that there were not sufficient beds, use could be made of the beds in the existing Poor Law hospitals by, of course, the scheme paying for such use. The whole scheme was so easy, because the greater its success, the greater the income with which to provide the necessary facilities.

In answer to a member, Mr. McAdam Eccles stated that if Poor Law hospitals were used the patients of the scheme might have the benefit of the services of the staff of the voluntary hospital to which the beds in the Poor Law hospital were attached—just as happened now in the case of St. Mary's Hospital.

Mr. McAdam Eccles went on to refer to the report of Lord Cave's committee on hospitals, published since the framing of the scheme, and suggested that if the Government made the grant of £1,000,000, suggested by the committee, the King's Fund should distribute the amount among the London hospitals, and its distribution should be, to a very large extent, provisional to the showing by the hospital of a fairly likely method of financing themselves in the future. In other words, it should not be given to hospitals who tried to help themselves by begging because of the bad state of their finances. Mr. McAdam Eccles also urged the closer co-operation of the King Edward Hospital Fund and the Hospital Saturday Fund. As regards the finances of London hospitals, Mr. McAdam Eccles stated that, although the 113 London hospitals received more in 1920 than in any previous year, there was a total deficit of nearly £500,000, owing to the great increase in cost of every department.

In answer to questions by various members present, Mr. McAdam Eccles stated that he did not think the premiums payable were high, because so many bad lives had to be taken into account; that any person eligible to join the scheme who did not do so would be required to pay for any necessary treatment obtained at a hospital with which the scheme had entered into agreement; and that under the scheme the money would be forthcoming for the financing of convalescent homes, to the greater benefit of the patients and the hospitals.

A resolution was adopted to the effect that the meeting of the medical practitioners of the Willesden district approved in general of the national provident scheme for hospital and additional medical services.

A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. McAdam Eccles.

British Medical Association.

EIGHTY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING, NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE, JULY, 1921.

Patron: HIS MAJESTY THE KING.

President: The Right Hon. Sir T. CLIFFORD ALLBUTT, P.C., K.C.B., F.R.S., Regius Professor of Physic, University of Cambridge.

President-Elect: DAVID DRUMMOND, C.B.E., M.A., M.D., D.C.L., Vice-Chancellor and Professor of the Principles and Practice of Medicine, University of Durham.

Chairman of Representative Meetings: T. W. H. GARSTANG, M.A., M.R.C.S., D.P.H.

Chairman of Council: R. A. BOLAM, M.D., M.R.C.P.

Treasurer: G. E. HASLIP, M.D.

PROGRAMME.

The President, Professor DAVID DRUMMOND, will give an Address, in the King's Hall, Armstrong College, on Tuesday, July 19th, at 8 p.m.

The ANNUAL REPRESENTATIVE MEETING, in the King's Hall, Armstrong College, will begin on Friday, July 15th, at 10 a.m., and be continued on the following days.

The REPRESENTATIVES' DINNER will be held on Friday, July 15th, at 7.15 p.m.

The statutory ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held in the King's Hall, Armstrong College, on July 19th, at 2 p.m., and the Adjourned General Meeting at 8 p.m.

The Annual Dinner of the Association will take place on Thursday, July 21st, at 7.30 p.m. Members wishing to attend are requested to notify the Local General Secretary, 6, Kensington Terrace, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, preferably by filling up and forwarding the form on page 231 of the SUPPLEMENT of June 18th. The price of the ticket is 20s., which should be remitted with the application.

A united religious service will be held on Tuesday, July 19th, at 5 p.m., at St. Nicholas Cathedral. A Roman Catholic Service will be held at St. Mary's Cathedral on Thursday, July 21st, at 9.15 a.m.

The Conference of Secretaries will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, July 20th, and the Secretaries' Dinner will take place in the evening at 6.30.

A Special Address on "Industrial Hygiene: its Rise, Progress and Opportunities," will be given by Sir Thomas Oliver, LL.D., M.D., F.R.C.P., on Wednesday, July 20th, at 8 p.m.

The Popular Lecture, on "Evolutionary Wounds," will be delivered by Sir Arthur Keith, M.D., F.R.S., on Friday, July 22nd, at 7.30 p.m.

THE SCIENTIFIC SECTIONS.

The Sections will meet from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Laboratory and Clinical Demonstrations will be given on Wednesday, July 20th, Thursday, July 21st, and Friday, July 22nd, between 3 p.m. and 4.30 p.m.

The following Sections meet on three days—Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, July 20, 21, and 22.

MEDICINE.

President: Professor THOMAS BEATTIE, M.D., F.R.C.P.

Vice-Presidents: The Right Hon. LORD DAWSON of PENN, G.C.V.O., M.D., F.R.C.P.; Professor A. J. HALL, M.D., F.R.C.P.; G. S. HAYNES, M.D., M.R.C.P.; J. WILKIE SMITH, M.D.

Honorary Secretaries: C. E. LAKIN, M.D., F.R.C.P., (105, Harley Street, London, W.1); W. T. RITCHIE, O.B.E., M.D., F.R.C.P.Ed. (14, Rothesay Place, Edinburgh); Professor W. E. HUME, C.M.G., M.D., F.R.C.P. (4, Ellison Place, Newcastle-on-Tyne).

The following provisional programme has been arranged:—

July 20th (10 a.m.).—Discussion: Visceral Syphilis, especially of the Central Nervous System and Cardio-vascular System. To be introduced by the Right Hon. Sir CLIFFORD ALLBUTT, K.C.B., F.R.S., followed by Dr. Gordon Holmes, Professor Reynolds, Dr. John Cowan, Dr. A. G. Gibson, Dr. John Eason and Dr. Ivy McKenzie.

July 21st (10 a.m.).—Discussion: Asthma and Allied Disorders. To be opened by Sir HUMPHRY ROLLESTON, K.C.B., followed by Dr. John Freeman, Dr. A. F. Hurst, Mr. Frank Coke, Dr. Mackenzie Wallis and Dr. Charles McNeil.

July 22nd (10-11.30 a.m.).—Discussion: Encephalitis Lethargica. To be opened by Dr. EDWIN BRAMWELL, followed by Dr. Wilfred Harris, Professor A. J. Hall, Dr. C. H. Melland.

11.30 a.m.-1 p.m.:—Joint Discussion with the Section of Physiology, Pharmacology, Therapeutics, and Dietetics: Renal Efficiency Tests. To be opened by Professor H. MCLEAN, followed by Professor Francis D. Boyd, C.B., M.D., Dr. R. L. Mackenzie Wallis, and Dr. D. Wells Patterson.

In the afternoons of Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, from 3 to 4.30, cases will be demonstrated by the honorary medical staff in the medical wards of the Royal Victoria Infirmary. Short papers and demonstrations will be arranged during the same hours.

Members wishing to take part in the above discussions, or to give demonstrations, are asked to communicate with Dr. W. E. Hume, Honorary Secretary, Section of Medicine, 4, Ellison Place, Newcastle-on-Tyne, in order that he may forward a copy of the opener's remarks when available.

SURGERY.

President: Professor J. RUTHERFORD MORISON, D.C.L., LL.D., F.R.C.S.

Vice-Presidents: Professor H. BRUNTON ANGUS, F.R.C.S.; ARTHUR COOKE, F.R.C.S.; W. J. GREER, F.R.C.S.I.; A. M. MARTIN, M.B.

Honorary Secretaries: W. GIRLING BALL, F.R.C.S. (77, Wimpole Street, London, W.1); J. M. RENTON, F.R.C.S. (16, Sandyford Place, Glasgow, W.); G. GREY TURNER, M.S., F.R.C.S., F.A.C.S. (The Hawthorns, Osborne Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne).

The following provisional programme has been arranged:

July 20th (Morning Session).—Discussion: Acute Pleural Empyema. To be opened by Mr. HENRY WADE, C.M.G., D.S.O., M.D., F.R.C.S.Edin. (Edinburgh).

In the afternoon, at 3 o'clock, demonstrations will be given by Professor RUTHERFORD MORISON, at the War Pensions Hospital, of cases and specimens illustrating (1) Bipp, (2) Bone Cavities, (3) Bone Grafts. Cases will also be shown by other members of the staff.

July 21st (Morning Session).—Discussion: Compound Fracture of the Thigh and Leg. To be opened by Mr. NAUGHTON DUNN, M.A., M.B., Ch.B.Aberd. (Birmingham).

In the afternoon, at 3 o'clock, demonstrations will be given at the Royal Victoria Infirmary of cases and specimens illustrating Compound Fracture of the Thigh and Leg.

July 22nd (Morning Session).—Discussion: The Diagnosis and Treatment of Injuries of the Intestines. To be opened by Mr. GORDON TAYLOR, O.B.E., M.S. (London).

In the afternoon, at 3 o'clock, demonstrations will be given by Mr. G. GREY TURNER at the Royal Victoria Infirmary of six cases of implantation of the ureter into the bowel.

Operations will be arranged by the staff of the Royal Victoria Infirmary for each afternoon at 2 o'clock.

One or two short papers will also be read on each day after the discussion.

Anyone wishing to take part in the discussions or demonstrations is invited to communicate with the Secretaries, and those wishing to read short papers are asked to send a summary, to be brought before the officers of the Section. There will also be an exhibition of specimens illustrating the subjects for discussion, and members are asked to advise the Secretaries of any specimens they propose to exhibit.

PATHOLOGY AND BACTERIOLOGY.

President: Professor MATTHEW J. STEWART, M.B., M.R.C.P.

Vice-Presidents: J. F. GASKELL, M.D., F.R.C.P.; JAMES A. MURRAY, M.D.

Honorary Secretaries: R. R. ELWORTHY, O.B.E., M.D., M.R.C.P. (West London Hospital, Hammersmith, London, W.6); A. F. BERNARD SHAW, M.D., M.R.C.P.I. (Pathological Department, College of Medicine, Newcastle-on-Tyne).

The following provisional programme has been arranged:

July 20th (10 a.m.).—Discussions: (1) Haemochromatosis; (2) The Streptococci.

July 21st (10 a.m.).—Papers: The Relation of Carcinoma to Infection, by Dr. W. FORD ROBERTSON. Observations on Malignant Melanoma, by Professor M. J. STEWART and Dr. H. H. GLEAVE. Other papers will be announced later.

July 22nd (10 a.m.).—Joint discussion with the Section of Medicine on (1) Encephalitis Lethargica; (2) Renal Efficiency Tests.

Anyone wishing to take part in the discussions is invited to communicate with the Secretaries, and those wishing to read short papers are asked to send a summary to be brought before the officers of the Section. There will also be an exhibition of specimens illustrating the subjects for discussion, and members are asked to advise the Secretaries of any specimens they propose to exhibit.

Pathological Museum.

The Pathological Museum Committee proposes to arrange the material under the following heads: (1) Exhibits bearing on discussions and papers to the various Sections; (2) specimens and illustrations relating to any recent research work; (3) instruments relating to clinical diagnosis and pathological investigation; (4) individual specimens of special interest or a series illustrating some special subject. It is proposed to gather together a series of exhibits illustrating the pathology of individual cases. Such exhibits will include a brief clinical history of the case and mounted specimens of the different organs and tissues illustrating the pathological changes and the correlation of the lesions. Other interesting specimens will be welcomed. The Honorary Secretary of the Pathological Museum Committee is Dr. A. F. Bernard Shaw, Pathological Department, College of Medicine, Newcastle-upon-Tyne. The museum will occupy a central position in the same building as that in which the sectional work is carried on. Every care will be taken of specimens, and the contents of the museum will be insured. It is hoped to make arrangements for exhibitors to demonstrate their specimens.

PREVENTIVE MEDICINE WITH INDUSTRIAL DISEASES.

President: Sir THOMAS OLIVER, LL.D., M.D., F.R.C.P.

Vice-Presidents: Sir JOSIAH COURT, M.R.C.S.; T. EUSTACE HILL, O.B.E., M.B.; I. G. MODLIN, O.B.E., M.D.

Honorary Secretaries: C. M. WILSON, M.C., M.D., F.R.C.P. (64, South Audley Street, Grosvenor Square, W.1); W. H. DICKINSON, O.B.E., M.B., D.P.H. (91, Newbridge Street, Newcastle-on-Tyne).

The following provisional programme has been arranged:

July 20th (10 a.m.).—Discussion: The Effect of Health Legislation on the Health of the People. To be opened by Captain WALTER E. ELLIOT, M.C., M.P.

July 21st (10 a.m.).—Discussion: The Importance of Industrial Medicine to the Community. To be introduced by Professor COLLIS (Cardiff).

July 22nd (10 a.m.).—Proposed joint meeting with the Section of Medical Sociology.

ORTHOPAEDICS AND DISEASES IN CHILDREN.

President: A. H. TUBBY, C.B., C.M.G., M.S., F.R.C.S.

Vice-Presidents: R. C. ELMSLIE, O.B.E., M.S., F.R.C.S.; H. MORLEY FLETCHER, M.D., F.R.C.P.; LACHLAN G. FRASER, M.D.; Sir HENRY M. W. GRAY, K.B.E., C.B., C.M.G., F.R.C.S.; A. E. MORISON, F.R.C.S.Edin. (Director of Demonstrations).

Honorary Secretaries: C. MAX PAGE, D.S.O., F.R.C.S. (134, Harley Street, London, W.1); FRANK HAWTHORN, D.S.O., M.D. (10, Ellison Place, Newcastle-on-Tyne); H. R. SOUPER, M.D. (Ministry of Pensions Hospital, Castle Leazes, Newcastle-on-Tyne).

The following preliminary programme has been arranged:

July 20th (10 a.m.).—*Chairman:* Mr. A. H. Tubby. Discussion: The Early Diagnosis and Treatment of Anterior Poliomyelitis. To be opened by Dr. FARQUHAR BUZZARD (London), followed by Mr. R. C. Elmslie (London), Mr. McCrae Aitkin (London), Mr. W. R. Bristow (London), Dr. Tulloch (Dundee), and Dr. Howard Humphris (London). Papers: Dr. MURK JANSEN, The Polyarticular Muscles as the Cause of Arthrogenetic Contractures. Mr. HARRY PLATT: Birth Palsy.

July 21st (10 a.m.).—*Chairman:* Dr. H. Morley Fletcher. Discussion: Blood Diseases in Children. To be opened by Dr. HUGH THURSFIELD followed by Dr. J. S. McCracken (Newcastle-upon-Tyne). Papers: Dr. LEONARD FINDLAY (Glasgow), Prenatal Treatment of Syphilis; Dr. JOHN THOMSON (Edinburgh) and Mr. TYRRELL GRAY (London), Hypertrophic Pyloric Stenosis.

July 22nd (10 a.m.).—*Chairman:* Sir Henry M. W. Gray. Discussion: Tuberculosis of Bone in Children; General Principles of Treatment. To be opened by Sir H. J. GAUVAIN (Alton), followed by Mr. John Fraser (Edinburgh), Dr. Camac Wilkinson (London), and Mr. F. C. Pybus (Newcastle-upon-Tyne). Paper: Dr. H. M. CARGIN (M.O.H. West Hartlepool), Milk Control.

Demonstrations.—The following demonstrations will be held in the War Pensions Hospital, Castle Leazes, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, by permission of Colonel F. J. Greig, C.M.G., A.M.S.(R.): *July 21st*, 3 to 4.30 p.m., Congenital Heart Lesions, by Dr. W. E. HUME (Newcastle-upon-Tyne); Congenital Dislocations of the Hip—Late Results, by Mr. A. M. MARTIN (Newcastle-upon-Tyne). *July 22nd*, 3 to 4.30 p.m., Bone Grafting for Cranial Defects, by Mr. A. E. MORISON (Sunderland); Hydrocephalus, by Dr. J. D. LICKLEY (Newcastle-upon-Tyne); On Finer Adjustment, with especial reference to the Hand, by Dr. F. A. HORT (Pensions Hospital, Sunderland). Should time permit discussion will be welcomed.

Contributors wishing to show specimens should communicate with Dr. Souper, Ministry of Pensions Hospital, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, who will arrange with the Secretary of the Pathological Museum Committee for the storage and exhibition of the specimens during the meeting.

The following Sections meet on two days—Wednesday and Thursday, July 20 and 21.

NEUROLOGY AND PSYCHIATRY.

President: Professor A. W. MACKINTOSH, M.D., F.R.C.P.Ed.

Vice-Presidents: A. HELEN A. BOYLE, M.D.; E. FARQUHAR BUZZARD, M.D., F.R.C.P.; HARRY CAMPBELL, M.D., F.R.C.P.; HORSLEY DRUMMOND, M.D.

Honorary Secretaries: ANTHONY FEILING, M.D., F.R.C.P. (41, Devonshire Street, London, W.); GEORGE HALL, C.M.G., M.D., M.R.C.P. (1, Eslington Road, Jesmond Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne).

The following provisional programme has been arranged:

July 20th (10 a.m.).—Discussion: The Diagnosis and Treatment of Borderland Cases. To be opened by Professor G. M. ROBERTSON (Edinburgh) and Dr. JAMES COLLIER (London).

July 21st (10 a.m.).—Papers: (1) Dr. HARRY CAMPBELL (London), The Nervous Diathesis and the Blood. (2) Dr. G. RIDDOCH (London), Some Points in the Management and Treatment of Paraplegia. (3) Dr. F. M. R. WALSHE (London), Observations on the Mechanism of Symptom Production in Disease and Injury of the Nervous System. (4) Dr. A. E. A. CARVER (Birmingham), Epilepsy from the Psychological Standpoint. (5) Dr. JUDSON BURY (Manchester), Remarks on the Pathology and Symptoms of Paralysis Agitans. (6) Dr. DOUGLAS ADAMS (Glasgow), The Early Diagnosis and Treatment of Disseminated Sclerosis.

OPHTHALMOLOGY.

President: Professor J. D. WARDALE, M.B., B.S.

Vice-Presidents: H. P. BENNETT, M.B.; Lieut.-Colonel R. H. ELLIOT, M.D., F.R.C.S., I.M.S. (ret.); HARRY M. TRAQUAIR, M.D., F.R.C.S.Ed.

Honorary Secretaries: N. B. B. FLEMING, M.B., Ch.B. (9, Harley Street, London, W.1); STANLEY ROBSON, M.S., F.R.C.S.Ed. (Milton House, Rowlands Gill, co. Durham).

The following provisional programme has been arranged:

July 20th (10 a.m.).—Discussion: The Causes and Prevention of Blindness. To be opened by Mr. BISHOP HARMAN, F.R.C.S. (London).

July 21st (10 a.m.).—Discussion: The Treatment of Corneal Ulcers. To be opened by Mr. J. V. PATERSON, F.R.C.S.Edin. (Edinburgh).

OTO-RHINO-LARYNGOLOGY.

President: G. WILLIAM HILL, M.D., B.Sc.

Vice-Presidents: R. GORDON BELL, M.D., F.R.C.S.Edin.; JAMES DON, M.D.; DAN MCKENZIE, M.D., F.R.C.S.Edin.

Honorary Secretaries: LIONEL COLLEDGE, M.B., F.R.C.S. (22, Queen Anne Street, London, W.1); W. FRANK WILSON, M.B., B.S. (97, Jesmond Road, Newcastle-upon-Tyne).

The following provisional programme has been arranged:

July 20th (10 a.m.).—Discussion: Problems in connexion with the Early Diagnosis and Treatment of Meningitis occurring in Aural Cases. To be opened by Sir CHARLES BALLANCE, K.C.M.G., C.B.

July 21st (10 a.m.).—Discussion: The Various Problems presented by Haemorrhage occurring in connexion with Operations on the Tonsils. To be opened by Dr. BROWN KELLY (Glasgow).

PHYSIOLOGY, PHARMACOLOGY, THERAPEUTICS, AND DIETETICS.

President: H. H. DALE, C.B.E., M.D., F.R.S.

Vice-Presidents: Professor A. V. HILL, M.A., D.Sc., F.R.S.; Professor JOHN C. MEAKINS, M.D.; Professor J. A. MENZIES, M.D.; ALFRED PARKIN, M.D., M.R.C.P.

Honorary Secretaries: O. INCHLEY, M.A., M.D. (Babraham, Cambridge); Miss MILDRED ATKINSON, B.Sc. (College of Medicine, Newcastle-on-Tyne).

The following provisional programme has been arranged: Papers from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and demonstrations from 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.

July 20th (10 a.m.).—Paper by Professor A. V. HILL, D.Sc., F.R.S.: The Use of the Hot Wire for Investigating (*a*) the Time Relations of the Pulse; (*b*) the Characteristics of Voluntary Contraction in Man. Paper by Dr. W. R. GROVE and Dr. H. W. C. VINES: The Etiology and Treatment of Varicose Ulcers. Paper by Professor H. H. DALE, F.R.S.: Anaphylatoxin.

In the afternoon (Wednesday, July 20th) Professor J. A. MENZIES, Miss M. ATKINSON, and Dr. G. A. CLARK will give a demonstration on The Passage of Sulphate through the Cells of the Tubules of the Kidney of the Frog.

July 21st.—(10 a.m.) Paper, with lantern demonstration, by Dr. H. MUIR EVANS: The Poison Organs and Venoms of Venomous Fish. Paper by Professor C. H. BROWNING: Recent work on Chemo-therapy. Paper by Dr. G. ARBOUR STEPHENS: Acid Feeders, and the Deleterious Effects of too much Acid in the Food. Paper by Dr. J. SIM WALLACE, D.Sc., L.D.S.: The Physiology of Oral Hygiene.

July 22nd.—Joint discussion with the Section of Medicine on Renal Efficiency Tests.

VENEREAL DISEASES.

President: Colonel L. W. HARRISON, D.S.O., R.A.M.C.
Vice-Presidents: JAMES CHARLES BUCKLEY, M.D.; CHARLES GIBBS, F.R.C.S.; MARY RAW, M.B.
Honorary Secretaries: KENNETH M. WALKER, O.B.E., F.R.C.S. (86, Harley Street, London, W.).; JAMES HUDSON, M.D. (42, Crossley Terrace, Newcastle-on-Tyne).

The following provisional programme has been arranged:
July 20th (10 a.m.).—Treatment of Syphilis in Man, by Dr. R. MacKenna. Syphilis in Women and Children, by Professor Walter Swayne.
July 21st (10 a.m.).—Treatment of Gonorrhoea in Men, by Dr. David Lees. The Standard of Cure in Gonorrhoea, by Dr. Townley Clarkson.

In the afternoon of Wednesday (July 20th) a demonstration will be held of Methods of Diagnosis and Treatment in Venereal Diseases, Dark-ground Illumination Work, Models of Venereal Disease Clinics, etc.

The following Section meets on two days—Thursday and Friday, July 21 and 22.

OBSTETRICS AND GYNAECOLOGY.

President: Professor R. P. RANKEN LYLE, M.D.
Vice-Presidents: Lady BARRETT, M.D.; W. R. GROVE, M.D.; WILLIAM ROBINSON, F.R.C.S.
Honorary Secretaries: GORDON LEY, F.R.C.S. (5, Wimpole Street, London, W.1); MABEL R. CAMPBELL, M.A., M.B. (49, Wingrove Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne); E. FARQUHAR MURRAY, M.D., F.R.C.S. (52, Jesmond Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne).

The following provisional programme has been arranged:
July 21st (10 a.m.).—Discussion: The Rôle of Caesarean Section in Midwifery. To be opened by Dr. EARDLEY L. HOLLAND (London) and Dr. J. M. MUNRO KERR (Glasgow). Paper: The Treatment of Advanced Malignant Disease of the Cervix, by Dr. ARTHUR BURROWS (Manchester), to be followed by a discussion.
July 22nd (10 a.m.).—Discussion: The Neurasthenic Element in Midwifery and Gynaecology. To be opened by Dr. ARCHIBALD DONALD (Manchester) and Dr. FARQUHAR BUZZARD (London). Papers to be followed by discussion: (1) Curettage, (*a*) Diagnostic, (*b*) Treatment of Uterine Haemorrhage, by Dr. H. BECKWITH WHITEHOUSE (Birmingham). (2) The Position of the Medical Practitioner called in to attend a case of Procured Abortion, by Dr. JOHN CAMPBELL (Belfast).

The following Sections meet on one day as indicated.

Wednesday, July 20th.

AMBULANCE AND RED CROSS.

President: Sir JAMES CANTLIE, K.B.E., F.R.C.S.
Vice-Presidents: ROBERT ANDERSON, M.D.; Sir G. T. BEATSON, K.C.B., K.B.E., M.D.; Major-General Sir G. J. H. EVATT, K.C.B., M.D.; Rev. C. F. TOWNLEY, M.A.
Honorary Secretaries: R. M. VICK, O.B.E., F.R.C.S. (The Warden's House, St. Bartholomew's Hospital, E.C.1); H. L. RUTTER, M.B.E., F.R.C.S. (31, West Parade, Newcastle-on-Tyne).

The following provisional programme has been arranged:
1. Short address by President on the Claim of "First Aid" to be regarded as a Special Branch of Practical Surgery.
2. Discussion on an *X*-Ray Motor Ambulance Wagon Service for Great Britain, and description of the work in London and fifty miles round. Display map, with centres from which areas are worked.
3. Discussion on Stretcher Slings; the Question of Carrying Loaded Stretchers on the Shoulders; the Yoke Sling.
4. Thomson's Machine for Armless Men. Demonstration by an armless man.
5. Display of several devices by Dr. Highet of Reading—car, boat, and barges; carriage of sick and wounded; an improvised ambulance wagon; invalid carrying chairs.

PROCTOLOGY.

President: J. P. LOCKHART-MUMMERY, F.R.C.S.
Vice-Presidents: HENRY B. DENSHAM, M.B.; W. ERNEST MILES, F.R.C.S.; D. P. D. WILKIE, O.B.E., F.R.C.S.
Honorary Secretaries: CECIL W. ROWNTREE, F.R.C.S. (9, Upper Brook Street, London, W.1); HAMILTON DRUMMOND, F.R.C.S. Edin. (6, Saville Place, Newcastle-on-Tyne).

July 20th (10 a.m.).—Discussion: The Surgical Treatment of Internal Haemorrhoids. To be opened by Sir CHARLES GORDON-WATSON, K.B.E., and Mr. D. P. D. WILKIE, F.R.C.S. (Edinburgh).

Thursday, July 21st.

DERMATOLOGY.

President: JOHN FARQUHAR CHRISTIE, M.A., M.B.
Vice-Presidents: ERNEST DORE, M.D., F.R.C.P.; ARTHUR D. HEATH, M.D., M.R.C.P.; D. WELLS PATTERSON, O.B.E., M.D., M.R.C.P.
Honorary Secretaries: WILLIAM JENKINS OLIVER, M.A., M.B. (58, Queen Anne Street, London, W.1); SYDNEY THOMPSON, M.B., B.S. (19, Windsor Terrace, Newcastle-on-Tyne).

The following provisional programme has been arranged:
July 21st (10 a.m.).—Discussions: (1) Cutaneous Sensitization and Focal Sepsis in the Etiology of certain Skin Affections. To be opened by H. W. BARBER, M.B., M.R.C.P. (2) The Association of Skin Tuberculosis with Visceral and other Tuberculous Manifestations. To be opened by GEORGE H. LANCASHIRE, M.D. (3) Dermatological Cases attending the Pensions Boards. To be opened by HENRY MACCORMAC, C.B.E., M.D., F.R.C.P. (with the permission of the Ministry of Pensions).

Friday, July 22nd.

MEDICAL SOCIOLOGY.

President: Sir JENNER VERRALL, LL.D., M.R.C.S.
Vice-Presidents: CHARLES BUTTAR, M.A., M.D.; A. C. FARQUHARSON, M.D., M.P.; E. ROWLAND FOTHERGILL, M.B., B.S.
Honorary Secretaries: J. F. WALKER, M.B. (Rocklands, Clifton Terrace, Southend-on-Sea); MABEL G. BRODIE, M.B. (Maternity and Child Welfare Offices, 42, Old Elvet, Durham).

The following provisional programme has been arranged:
July 22nd (10 a.m.).—Discussion: The Relation of the Medical Profession to Local Authorities in respect to Rate-provided Hospitals and Clinics. To be opened by Sir GEORGE NEWMAN, Chief Medical Officer of the Ministry of Health; Mr. DAVID ADAMS (Newcastle-upon-Tyne), and Dr. MIDDLETON MARTIN (M.O.H. Gloucestershire).

RADIOLOGY AND ELECTRO-THERAPEUTICS.

President: ROBERT KNOX, M.D.
Vice-Presidents: W. HOPE FOWLER, F.R.C.S.Edin.; ROBERT EDWARD HOWELL, M.B., C.M.
Honorary Secretaries: JAMES METCALFE, M.D. (123, Harley Street, London, W.1); THOMAS LOWE BUNTING, M.D. (6, Portland Terrace, Newcastle-on-Tyne).

The following provisional programme has been arranged:
July 22nd (10 a.m.).—Discussion: On the Changes induced in Blood Constituents by Radiations: (*a*) Experimental evidence, Professor SIDNEY RUSS and Dr. ARCHIBALD LEITCH; (*b*) Clinical observations, Dr. MOTTRAM, Dr. GAMLEN, Dr. J. B. WATERS, Dr. METCALFE, Dr. HOPE FOWLER and others. On Morbid Conditions of the Blood: (1) The Anaemias, (2) Leukaemia, (3) Banti's disease, etc. Opening paper by Professor G. L. GULLAND, C.M.G. (Edinburgh). Discussion on Surgical Diathermy, to be opened by Dr. CUMBERBATCH, followed by Dr. HOWARD HUMPHRIS, Dr. SABERTON and others.
Dr. KNOX and Mr. THOMSON WALKER will give an afternoon demonstration, with lantern slides and prints, of Radiography and Pyelography in Gall Bladder and Renal Conditions.
Exhibition of radiograms, etc., in the Pathological Museum.
A visit will be paid to the *x*-ray and electro-therapeutic departments of the Royal Victoria Infirmary, Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

UROLOGY.

President: J. W. THOMSON WALKER, O.B.E., F.R.C.S.
Vice-Presidents: P. J. CAMMIDGE, M.D.; JOHN CLAY, C.B.E., F.R.C.S.; H. C. PEARSON, F.R.C.S.Ed.
Honorary Secretaries: SYDNEY G. MACDONALD, F.R.C.S. (51, Queen Anne Street, London, W.1); W. S. DICKIE, O.B.E., F.R.C.S. (Ardencapel, Southfield Road, Middlesbrough).

The following provisional programme has been arranged:
July 22nd (10 a.m.).—Discussion: The Diagnosis and Treatment of Cystitis. To be opened by J. F. DOBSON, M.S., F.R.C.S. (Surgical). Papers: Experimental Evidence bearing on the Source of the Amylolytic Ferment in the Urine, by P. J. CAMMIDGE, M.D.; Open Prostatectomy, by J. W. THOMSON WALKER, M.B., F.R.C.S.; Treatment of Bladder Growths, by SYDNEY G. MACDONALD, M.B., F.R.C.S.

PROVISIONAL TIME TABLE.

The following is the provisional time table for the Newcastle-upon-Tyne Meeting, 1921:

FRIDAY, JULY 15TH, 1921.
10 a.m.—Annual Representative Meeting.
7.15 p.m.—Representatives' Dinner.
8.30 p.m.—Reception for Ladies.

SATURDAY, JULY 16TH.
9.30 a.m.—Representative Meeting.

MONDAY, JULY 18TH.
9.30 a.m.—Council Meeting.
10 a.m.—Representative Meeting.

TUESDAY, JULY 19TH.
9.30 a.m.—Representative Meeting.
2 p.m.—Annual General Meeting.
5 p.m.—United Religious Service at St. Nicholas Cathedral.
8 p.m.—Adjourned General Meeting, President's Address.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20TH.
9 a.m.—Council Meeting.
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.—Sectional Meetings.
2 p.m.—Secretaries' Conference.
3 to 4.30 p.m.—Demonstrations.
6.30 p.m.—Secretaries' Dinner.
8 p.m.—Special Address on Industrial Hygiene.

THURSDAY, JULY 21ST.
9.15 a.m.—Roman Catholic Service, St. Mary's Cathedral.
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.—Sectional Meetings.
3 to 4.30 p.m.—Demonstrations.
7.30 p.m.—Annual Dinner.

FRIDAY, JULY 22ND.
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.—Sectional Meetings.
3 to 4.30 p.m.—Demonstrations.
7.30 p.m.—Popular Lecture.

SATURDAY, JULY 23RD.
Excursions.

The Honorary Local General Secretary of the Meeting is Mr. R. J. Willan, M.V.O., O.B.E., F.R.C.S., 6, Kensington Terrace, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

RECEPTION FOR LADIES ACCOMPANYING REPRESENTATIVES.

A reception will be given by the Ladies' Executive Committee on Friday, July 15th, at 8.30 p.m., in the lower suite of the Grand Assembly Rooms, to all ladies accompanying Representatives. Tickets may be obtained prior to the meeting by application to Miss Willis, Medical Institute, 7, Windsor Terrace, Newcastle-on-Tyne, and on the morning of Friday, July 15th, from the Clerk at the Representative Meeting, King's Hall, Armstrong College.

APPLICATIONS FOR TICKETS.

The attention of members attending the Annual Meeting in Newcastle-upon-Tyne is specially drawn to the fact that invitations for functions held during the meeting can only be obtained by personal application to the Reception Room.

APPLICATIONS FOR ACCOMMODATION.

MEMBERS proposing to attend the Annual Meeting should bear in mind that they may not be able to obtain adequate accommodation, even at some distance, unless it is reserved well beforehand. As the hotels will be unable to reserve this accommodation much longer it is essential that applications should be sent in at once.

Lists of hotels, etc., and revised particulars about accommodation at Newcastle were printed in the SUPPLEMENT of July 2nd. The Honorary Secretary of the Hotels and Lodgings Committee is Dr. E. F. Murray, 52, Jesmond Road, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, who will gladly give any information about accommodation to members who apply to him.

Association Notices.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, 1921.

THE Annual General Meeting will be held in the King's Hall, Armstrong College, Newcastle-on-Tyne, on Tuesday, July 19th, 1921, at 2 p.m. Business: (1) Minutes of last meeting. (2) Appointment of auditors. (3) Report of Election of President for year 1922–23.

COUNCIL, 1921–22.

NOTICE is hereby given that nominations for candidates for election as Members of Council by Grouped Representatives for the year 1921–22, under By-law 46 (*c*), will be received by the Medical Secretary up to the end of the first hour of the proceedings of the Annual Representative Meeting on Friday, July 15th, 1921. Each nomination must be on the prescribed form (A.R.M. 10), copies of which will be forwarded by the Medical Secretary on application. The voting papers will be issued at the Representative Meeting.

MEETINGS TO BE HELD.

EAST YORKS AND NORTH LINCOLN BRANCH.—The sixty-fifth annual meeting of the above Branch will be held at Grimsby on Friday, July 15th. The place and hour of meeting will be announced later. Business: Election of officers and presidential address. Nominations must be in the hands of the honorary secretary before July 1st.

Meetings of Branches and Divisions.

CAMBRIDGE AND HUNTINGDON BRANCH.

THE seventy-seventh annual meeting of the Branch was held at Burwell, on July 1st, when the President, the Right Hon. Sir CLIFFORD ALLBUTT, was in the chair. The following officers were elected for 1921–1922:

President: Mr. O. R. Ennion. *President-elect:* Mr. Arthur Cooke. *Vice-Presidents:* Dr. B. E. Fordyce, Dr. F. E. Beckett. *Honorary Secretary and Treasurer:* Dr. G. S. Haynes.

The newly-elected President and Mrs. Ennion entertained to lunch some sixty members and their wives, and afterwards Mr. ENNION delivered an address on his experiences with the 1st East Anglian Field Ambulance at Gallipoli, for which he was heartily thanked by Dr. GRIFFITHS on behalf of those present. Subsequently the President and Mrs. Ennion gave a garden party, which was largely attended; so ended a very successful and enjoyable meeting.

CAMBRIDGE AND HUNTINGDON BRANCH: ISLE OF ELY DIVISION.

A SUCCESSFUL meeting of the Isle of Ely Division was held at the Griffin Hotel, March, on June 14th. The proceedings commenced with a luncheon, to which Dr. Alfred Cox (Secretary of the British Medical Association) and all the members and non-members of the Division had been invited. Dr. G. H. LUCAS, Chairman of the Division, presided, and in a few appropriate remarks welcomed Dr. Cox and the non-members as guests that day. He expressed the hope that on the next occasion the members would have the pleasure of including those who were now non-members as loyal members of the Division. After luncheon and the loyal toasts Dr. COX addressed the meeting, and touched upon the work of the Association generally during the past year. He instanced many of the ways the Association had time after time come to the aid of practitioners in various parts of the country where they themselves, as individuals, would have been helpless in their struggle with various bodies for fair conditions of service or an adequate remuneration.

A general discussion on various points followed, and finally Dr. C. E. STEPHENS, in proposing a hearty vote of thanks to Dr. Cox, said he was sure he was voicing the unanimous feeling of the meeting in thanking Dr. Cox for his visit to the Division that day, and for putting before them so clearly the great work the Association was doing for the profession generally. He felt convinced that if only the non-members and those members who were somewhat apathetic would become active members of their respective Divisions, the British Medical Association would be in such a strong position that it could undoubtedly obtain for its members whatever was reasonable both as regards conditions of service and remuneration. Dr. COX briefly thanked the meeting, and expressed the hope that his visit had been helpful.

EAST YORK AND NORTH LINCOLN BRANCH: EAST YORK DIVISION.

THE annual meeting of the East York Division was held at the Hull Royal Infirmary on June 17th, when the following officers were elected:

Chairman: Dr. H. L. Evans. *Vice-Chairman:* Dr. J. Nelson. *Honorary Secretary and Treasurer:* Dr. J. MacNidder. *Representative in Representative Body:* Dr. E. Barker.

The question of paying patients in Poor Law hospitals was discussed, and the following resolution was adopted for presentation to the Representative Meeting:

"That it is important that definite principles should immediately be established for dealing with local authorities on the question of paying patients in Poor Law hospitals.

The annual report of the Division showed that during the year five very successful meetings had been held. In November a clinical meeting took place; in December the question, "Is a medical strike justifiable?" was discussed at a well-attended meeting; in February Dr. Spilsbury gave a lecture on criminal abortion; and in March a further clinical meeting was held, when Dr. J. E. Bannen read a paper on *x* rays in general practice, and showed a large number of radiographs.

The annual dinner of the Division, which took place on March 18th, was very successful. The membership of the Division is practically the same as the previous year, and has not suffered from the increased subscription.

EDINBURGH BRANCH: EDINBURGH AND LEITH DIVISION.

THE annual meeting of the Edinburgh and Leith Division was held on June 16th, when Dr. R. THIN, Chairman of the Division, presided.

With reference to the Dangerous Drugs Act, it was reported that after conference with the Edinburgh branch of the Scottish Chemists' Federation, the Chairman and Secretary sent a letter to the local members of Parliament and members of the Government on the subject, following the opinion expressed by the Division on October 19th, 1917.

It was reported that in consequence of a letter sent by the Executive Committee of the Division to the Public Health Committee of the Corporation expressing dissatisfaction with the arrangements for obtaining medicines after hours, on Sundays and on holidays, the Town Clerk had requested the attendance of a deputation, and that Drs. Thin and Keppie Paterson had been appointed for the purpose.

Some discussion took place on income tax deductions, and a letter from the Medical Secretary was read on the subject. Advice in individual cases was given from the Central Office and answers printed in the correspondence columns of the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL. A copy of the memorandum on the subject issued by the Medical and Dental Defence Union of Scotland was distributed to each member present.

With reference to payment for attendance on cases in answer to police calls, it was reported that though four doctors were appointed by the Corporation for attendance on street accidents in addition to other duties, and that all messages for such accidents should be sent to them, yet at times other practitioners had been called, but no payment for services had been obtained. It was considered that it would be desirable if possible to obtain a test case.

The letter from the M.O.H. on domiciliary treatment of tuberculosis cases was read, and the SECRETARY gave explanations that he had received from Dr. Guy, the City Tuberculosis Officer, as to its meaning and the necessary procedure to be followed.

A recommendation from the Executive Committee for the furtherance of social functions was heartily supported. A committee was appointed to make arrangements, including Dr. Lamond Lackie (convener), Drs. Thin, Comrie, and Stevens.

The annual report of the Division was summarized by the Secretary, showing an increase in membership, which now amounted to about 300.

Drs. R. Thin and J. D. Comrie were unanimously nominated as candidates for election to the Scottish Committee.

The Annual Report of the Council was considered and instructions were unanimously given to the Representatives to support amendments to recommendation on para. 62, p. 112: That this Recommendation stop at the word "organization," the rest of the sentence to be deleted. Para. 92, p. 115: To support an amendment on this Recommendation that the two Representatives for Scotland be elected as at present, one by the eastern and one by the western group of Representatives, and also to attend to the amendment on the subject of federation with other bodies, and published on p. 182, SUPPLEMENT, May 14th.

The Division recorded its deep appreciation of the services rendered by Dr. G. Keppie Paterson as secretary and treasurer on his retiral from that office, which he had held for nineteen years, first, in connexion with the North-East Division of Edinburgh and, after union, of the combined Edinburgh and Leith Division.

The following office-bearers and committee were elected for 1921–22:

Chairman: Dr. R. Thin. *Vice-Chairmen:* Drs. Isabel Venters, J. Playfair. *Secretary and Treasurer:* Dr. J. D. Comrie. *Co-Secretary:* Dr. G. Keppie Paterson. *Representatives in Representative Body:* Drs. J. Stevens, C. M. Pearson, J. D. Comrie. *Deputy Representative:* Dr. J. Eason.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: CHELSEA DIVISION.

A MEETING of the Chelsea Division, to which all the medical practitioners in the district were invited, was held at Fulham Town Hall on June 23rd, when Dr. JACKSON was in the chair. Mr. MCADAM ECCLES kindly explained the national provident scheme for hospitals, and opened a discussion on the subject. It was fully discussed, and the following resolution was adopted with only one dissentient:

> That the medical practitioners present at this meeting in the area of the Chelsea Division of the British Medical Association approve in general of the national provident scheme for hospitals and additional medical services.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: EAST HERTFORDSHIRE DIVISION.

AT the annual meeting of the East Hertfordshire Division held at Ware, on June 15th, the following officers were elected:

Chairman: Dr. Lawson Smith. *Vice-Chairman:* Dr. Ledward. *Honorary Secretary and Treasurer:* Dr. de Vine. *Representative in Representative Body:* Dr. de Vine. *Deputy Representative:* Dr. Ledward.

The revised ethical rules were adopted.

The new model organization rules were adopted as amended.

The geographical relationship of the Division to the Metropolitan Counties Branch was discussed, and, on the motion of Dr. LAWSON SMITH, seconded by Dr. MACFADYEN, it was resolved:

> That steps be taken for the transference of the East Herts Division from the Metropolitan Counties Branch to the Cambridge and Huntingdon Branch, where work, interests, and sympathies would be more in common.

The business of the Annual Representative Meeting was discussed. On the question of federation or affiliation it was feared that this might move towards trade unionism, which it was considered would be disastrous to the profession. It was also felt that if the British Medical Association would make itself responsible for the formation of a Consultative Committee, all bodies coming in on a numerical equality, great benefit to the Association and to the profession generally would be obtained.

On the motion of Dr. SHELLY, seconded by Dr. MACFADYEN, the Division approved of that part of the scheme only so far as it referred to oversea bodies and Ireland, and it was decided that the Representative be instructed to support that portion. The Division also approved of the formation of any Consultative Committee (or similar body) on which the British Medical Association would be associated with all other bodies representing the various branches of the profession for the purpose of negotiating with the Government.

A discussion on the Report of the Central Council, including the improvement of the machinery of the Association, was opened by Dr. STURGE. The Representative was instructed to vote in accordance with the recommendation of the Council.

Dr. Gordon Dill's national provident scheme for hospitals and additional medical services was fully explained to the meeting by Dr. MACFADYEN, and, after discussion, the matter was referred to the executive.

After the meeting the members of the Division with their wives were entertained at the Manor House, Ware, by Dr. and Mrs. Boyd.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: LAMBETH DIVISION.

THE annual general meeting of the Lambeth Division was held on June 8th at Bethlem Royal Hospital, when the following officers were elected for the year:

Chairman: Dr. A. F. W. Denning. *Vice-Chairman:* Mr. G. F. Gubbin. *Representative in Representative Body:* Dr. James Stewart. *Representative on Branch Council:* Dr. H. Harvey Norton. *Honorary Secretary:* Dr. E. L. M. Rusby.

Dr. HARVEY NORTON gave a lucid description of the National Provident Scheme for London.

SOUTHERN BRANCH: PORTSMOUTH DIVISION.

THE annual meeting of the Portsmouth Division was held at the Royal Portsmouth Hospital on June 9th, when Dr. J. E. F. PALSER was in the chair. After the Annual Report of the Council of the Association had been adopted by the Division and the annual accounts of the Division had been passed, the following officers were elected for 1921–22:

Chairman: Dr. J. H. F. Day. *Vice-Chairman:* Dr. E. J. Davis Taylor. *Honorary Medico-Political Secretary:* Mr. C. A. Scott Ridout. *Clinical Secretary:* Mr. C. P. Childe. *Honorary Librarian:* Dr. W. Carling. *Representative in Representative Body:* Dr. D. A. Sheahan.

After the business of the meeting Dr. A. CAMBELL gave an interesting lecture upon "Some points in the modern treatment of venereal disease." Considerable discussion followed, and Dr. Cambell replied to many questions raised.

INSURANCE.

LONDON INSURANCE COMMITTEE.

THE present members of the Committee, who ordinarily would have retired on June 30th, are to be continued in office until October 31st, pending the decision of Parliament on the bill providing for a future reduction in the size of Insurance Committees.

The Committee agreed with the Panel Committee that, subject to the approval of the Minister of Health, a woman medical practitioner who had limited her acceptances to women patients should have the units credited to her for the distribution of the practitioners' fund reduced, not by 7½ per cent., as in the case of other practitioners, but by 3¾ per cent.

LEICESTER LOCAL MEDICAL AND PANEL COMMITTEE.

THE Leicester Panel Committee, at a meeting held on June 8th, had under consideration a circular letter and circulars explaining the aims and policy of the Association of Panel Committees.

The Committee saw no reason for deviating from the position they took up in December last on this question, and reaffirmed the following resolution, which was then passed unanimously:

> "That the Leicester Panel Committee strongly deprecates any action by the Panel Committee for the County of London or other body which will impair the usefulness of the Insurance Acts Committee of the British Medical Association; that the Insurance Acts Committee is representative of panel practitioners throughout England and Wales, and also of the profession as a whole, and is in a much stronger position to negotiate with the Government than any purely sectional body would be; and that this Committee is unanimously of opinion that the proposal of the Panel Committee for the County of London is not in the best interests of the profession."

Naval and Military Appointments.

ROYAL NAVAL MEDICAL SERVICE.

THE following appointments are announced by the Admiralty:—Surgeon Commanders: A. J. Hewitt to the *President* for hospital course, A. R. Fisher to the *Impregnable*, G. D. Bateman to the *Marlborough* on recommissioning, A. T. Rivers to the *Calcutta*, C. H. H. Robinson to the *Vivid* for R.N. Barracks (temporary). Surgeon Lieutenant Commanders: A. R. Sharrod to the *Impregnable*, E. Heffernan to the *Tamar*, R. F. P. Cory to the *Royal Oak*, J. Kirker to the *Pembroke*, additional. Surgeon Lieutenants: G. Aubrey to the *Marlborough*, G. M. Graham to the *Malcolm*, G. L. Ritchie, M.C., to the *Vidette*.

ARMY MEDICAL SERVICE.

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS.

Captain and Brevet Major W. F. Christie retires, receiving a gratuity, and is granted the rank of Major.

Captains P. J. Ryan, M.C., and W. Walker, M.C., relinquish the acting rank of Major.

Captain H. A. Hill, from R.A.M.C.(S.R.), to be Lieutenant with the temporary rank of Captain, with seniority, June 3rd, 1918.

The following temporary Captains relinquish their commissions and are granted the rank of Captain: W. M. Muirhead, F. Whitby, H. Abernethy.

INDIAN MEDICAL SERVICE.

The services of Major R. S. Townsend, M.C., are placed temporarily at the disposal of the Chief Commissioner of Delhi.

The services of Major F. P. Mackie, O.B.E., of the Bacteriological Department, are placed at the disposal of the Government of Assam.

The services of Major G. G. Jolly, C.I.E., are placed at the disposal of the Chief Commissioner, Delhi, for appointment as officiating health officer, Imperial City, Delhi.

Captain W. L. Forsyth, M.B., Ch.B., has been appointed to officiate as Professor of Pathology, King Edward Medical College, Lahore.

Colonel G. J. H. Bell, C.I.E., M.B., has been granted five months' leave.

Lieut.-Colonel H. R. Nutt, M.D., F.R.C.S., has been appointed to officiate as Professor of Surgery, King George's Medical College, Lucknow.

Lieut.-Colonel C. A. Sprawson, C.I.E., M.D., F.R.C.S., has been appointed sub-pro-tempore to be Principal, King George's Medical College, Lucknow.

Captain G. Shanks, M.D., has been appointed sub-pro-tempore to be Professor of Pathology, Medical College, Calcutta.

Major J. R. J. Terrell has been granted six months' leave.

Colonel R. Heard, M.D., has been appointed as Honorary Surgeon to His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor-General in India.

The following officers have, in consequence of ill health, been permitted to retire: Lieut.-Colonels H. Burden, C.I.E., R. Steen, H. Smith, C.I.E., P. B. Haig, C.B., Major M. J. Quirke.

DEFENCE FORCE.

ARMY MEDICAL SERVICE.

R.A.M.C.—The following temporary Captains relinquish their commissions: G. M. Campbell, M.C., W. T. Briscoe, A. H. D. Smith, M.C.

6th (London) Field Ambulance (D.F.).—Temporary Major J. H. Barry, D.S.O., M.C. (Captain, R.A.M.C.), from 4th London Field Ambulance (D.F.), to retain the rank of temporary Major while commanding a field ambulance.

1st (North Midland) Field Ambulance.—To be temporary Major: S. T. Beggs (Captain, R.A.M.C.—brevet Major, R.A.R.O.). To be temporary Captain: N. S. Tirard.

SPECIAL RESERVE OF OFFICERS.

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS.

Captain R. Magill, D.S.O., to be Major.

TERRITORIAL FORCE.

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS.

Major W. Bowater, M.C., to be Lieut.-Colonel and command 1st South Midland Field Ambulance.

Captain C. W. T. Baldwin is seconded whilst holding a temporary commission in the R.A.F.

Captain (acting Major) R. Briercliffe, O.B.E., relinquishes the acting rank of Major on vacating the appointment of D.A.D.M.S. (August 15th, 1920).

Captain A. U. Webster, M.B. (late R.A.M.C.) to be Captain, with precedence as from February 10th, 1919.

The following officers resign their commissions: Major F. W. Johnson, O.B.E., T.D., and is granted the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel with permission to wear the prescribed uniform. Major C. H. Bullen, and retains the rank of Major. Captains C. B. Johnstone, M. T. Ascough, M.C., and A. P. Thomson, M.C., and are granted the rank of Major. Captains J. Howard, W. J. Lacy-Hickey, M.C., and J. G. Hayes, and retain the rank of Captain.

2nd London Sanitary Company.—Captain F. Fletcher resigns his commission and retains the rank of Captain.

Sanitary Service.—Major H. H. Littlejohn resigns his commission and retains the rank of Major.

DIARY OF SOCIETIES AND LECTURES.

SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF INEBRIETY, 11, Chandos Street, W.1.—Tues., 4 p.m., Dr. W. A. Potts: Alcohol and Alcoholism in Relation to Mental Deficiency.

POST-GRADUATE COURSES AND LECTURES.

NATIONAL HOSPITAL FOR DISEASES OF THE HEART, Westmoreland Street, W.1.—Daily (except Sat.), 10-11.15 a.m., Instrumental Methods of Examination; 11-12.30 p.m., Demonstrations; 2-5 p.m., Out-patients. 5 p.m., *Lectures:* Mon., Dr. B. T. Parsons-Smith: Anatomy and Development of the Heart. Tues., Sir Russell Wells: Diseases of Aortic Valve. Wed., Dr. F. W. Price: Diseases of Mitral Valve. Thurs., Dr. J. S. Goodall: *X* rays in the Diagnosis of Cardio-vascular Lesions. Fri., Dr. R. O. Moon: Heart Disease in Children.

NORTH-EAST LONDON POST-GRADUATE COLLEGE, Prince of Wales's General Hospital, Tottenham, N.15.—Daily, 2 p.m., In- and Out-patient Clinics, Operations, etc. *Lecture-Demonstrations:*—3 p.m., Tues., Mr. C. H. Hayton: Anatomy of the Ear, Methods of Examination. Wed., Mr. W. E. Tanner: Specimens illustrating Acute Abdominal Emergencies. Fri., 4.30 p.m., Dr. C. E. Sundell: Bottle Feeding.

WEST LONDON POST-GRADUATE COLLEGE, Hammersmith, W.—Daily, 10 a.m., Ward Visits; 2 p.m., In-patient Clinics and Operations. *Demonstrations:* Mon., 12.15 p.m., Dr. Burnford: Pathological. Tues., 12 noon, Mr. T. Gray: Fractures. Wed., 12 noon, Mr. Sinclair: Surgical Diseases of the Abdomen. Thurs., 10.30 a.m., Dr. Simson: Gynaecological. Fri., 10 a.m., Dr. G. Stewart: Neurological. Sat., 10 a.m., Medical Registrar: Medical Ward Cases. *Lectures.* 5 p.m.: Mon., Mr. D. Buxton: Irregularities of the Teeth and their Sequelae. Tues., Mr. Addison: Inflammation and Tumours of the Breast. Wed., Dr. Pritchard: Forms of Arthritis and their Treatment. Thurs., Mr. P. Dunn: Tobacco Amblyopia. Fri., Dr. Pritchard: Meningitis.

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Diary of the Association.

JULY.

Annual Meeting, Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

15 Fri. Annual Representative Meeting, 10 a.m.
Representatives' Dinner, 7.15 p.m.
Reception for Ladies accompanying Representatives, 8 30 p.m.
16 Sat. Annual Representative Meeting, 9 30 a.m.
17 Sun. Representatives' Motor Excursion Party.
18 Mon. Council Meeting, 9 a.m.
Annual Representative Meeting, 9.30 a.m.
Election Returns Committee (on termination of Annual Representative Meeting).
19 Tues. Annual Representative Meeting, 9.30 a.m.
Annual General Meeting, 2 p.m.
Annual Representative Meeting, immediately following Annual General Meeting.
Election Returns Committee (on termination of Annual Representative Meeting).
United Religious Service, St. Nicholas Cathedral, 5 p.m.
President's Address: Adjourned Annual General Meeting, 8 p.m.
20 Wed. Council Meeting, 9 a.m.
Meetings of Sections, 10 a.m.
Conference of Honorary Secretaries, 2 p.m.
Dinner of Honorary Secretaries, 6.30 p.m.
Special Address on Industrial Hygiene, 8 p.m.
21 Thur. Meetings of Sections, 10 a.m.
Roman Catholic Service, St. Mary's Cathedral, 9.15 a.m.
Annual Dinner of the Association, 7.30 p.m.
22 Fri. Meetings of Sections, 10 a.m.
Popular Lecture, 7.30 p.m.
23 Sat. Excursions.

The Annual Exhibition of Surgical Instruments, Drugs, Foods, etc., will be open at the St. George's Drill Hall, St. Mary's Place, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, from Tuesday, July 19th, to Friday, July 22nd, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily.

15 Fri. East Yorks and North Lincoln Branch, Annual Meeting, Grimsby.

APPOINTMENTS.

CROOKSHANK, F. G., M.D., F.R.C.P., Physician to In-patients, the Prince of Wales's General Hospital, N., and the French Hospital, W.C.

FORT, H. M., M.B., Ch.B.Vict. Manch., Certifying Factory Surgeon for Oldham West.

WORSTER-DROUGHT, C., M.A., M.D., M.R.C.P., Assistant Physician, West End Hospital for Diseases of the Nervous System.

YOW, C. W., M.B Edin., Senior House Surgeon and Registrar to the Royal Eye Hospital, Southwark, S.E.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

The charge for inserting announcements of Births, Marriages, and Deaths is 9s., which sum should be forwarded with the notice not later than the first post on Tuesday morning, in order to ensure insertion in the current issue.

BIRTHS.

BLAXLAND.—On June 22nd, at St. Ethelbert's House, Norwich, the wife of Jasper Blaxland, M.S.Lond., F.R.C.S., of a son.

HENDRY.—On June 26th, at 3, Elphinstone Road, Southsea, to Agnes, wife of Major A. Hendry, R.A.M.C., a son.

MARRIAGES.

EMINSON—DAVIDSON.—On June 7th, at Christ Church, Mussoorie, U.P., by Rev. A. H. Tilt, Basil Franklin Eminson, Captain I.M.S., son of Dr. and Mrs. T. B. Franklin Eminson, Scotter, Lincs, to Mary (May), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Davidson, Aboyne, Aberdeen.

FRY—MIALL-SMITH.—On July 1st, at the Ethical Church, Bayswater, Hubert John Burgess Fry, B.A., M.D., B.Ch., B.Sc., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H., to Gladys Miall-Smith, B.Sc., M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H.

DEATH.

BUCKLEY.—On the 3rd inst., at 58, Brunswick Street, Manchester, John Buckley, L.S.A. (late of Chesterfield), the beloved husband of Ada Buckley. R.I.P.

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